## Exhibit B

## NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION AND SETTLEMENTS

If You Purchased or Sold Certain New York Mercantile Exchange ("NYMEX") Natural Gas Futures Contracts, Including Certain NYMEX E-mini Natural Gas Futures Contracts, Between February 16, 2006 and September 28, 2006, Then Your Rights May Be Affected and You May Be Entitled To A Benefit

The purpose of this notice is to inform you of the pendency of a class action and of settlements with certain defendants in the action *In re: Amaranth Natural Gas Commodities Litigation*, No. 07-CV-6377 (SAS) ("Action") pending in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. The Court has scheduled a public Settlement Hearing on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2012, \_\_\_\_\_ [a.m. / p.m.] at the United States Courthouse, 500 Pearl Street, New York, New York, Courtroom 15C.

In this Action, Plaintiffs allege that defendants manipulated or are otherwise responsible for the manipulation of certain NYMEX natural gas futures contracts during February 16, 2006 through September 28, 2006 ("Class Period") which caused artificial prices in violation of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. §1 *et seq*. Defendants have denied and continue to deny the claims against them.

In order to resolve the claims against them, the Amaranth Defendants have agreed to wire transfer \$72,400,000 into the Escrow Account within ten (10) business days after entry of the Scheduling Order and an additional \$4,700,000 into the Escrow Account within fifteen (15) business days after entry of the Scheduling Order. The foregoing payments, plus all interest earned thereon, constitute the Settlement Fund.

In order to resolve the claims against them, the Floor Broker Defendants have agreed to provide cooperation (including up to 35.5 hours of interviews and other cooperation) to Plaintiffs' counsel for the benefit of the Class.

Defendants J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., J.P. Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. and J.P. Morgan Futures Inc. are not part of the settlements.

If you are a Member of the Class, you may seek to share in the Net Settlement Fund by
filing a Proof of Claim on or before, 2012. You may obtain a Proof of Claim on the
settlement website referenced below. If you are a Member of the Class but do not file a Proof of
Claim, you will still be bound by the releases set forth in the settlement agreements if the Court
enters an order approving the settlement agreements. All objections to the settlements must be
made in accordance with the instructions set forth in the formal Settlement Notice and must be
filed with the Court and served on the Parties' counsel by, 2012. The Court will exclude
you from the Class and thereby the settlements only if you make a written request for exclusion
that is received by the Settlement Administrator (Rust Consulting, Inc.) at the address below on
or before, 2012.

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c/o Rust Consulting, Inc. P.O. Box 24771 West Palm Beach, FL 33416

A copy of the settlement agreements, the formal Settlement Notice, Proof of Claim, information on how to object or be excluded from the Class, and other important documents and information are available on the settlement website at <a href="www.amaranthcommoditieslitigation.com">www.amaranthcommoditieslitigation.com</a>. For additional information, you may also contact the Settlement Administrator at 1-855-460-1525.